

**Analysis and Summary of Governor's
FFY 18 Federal Block Grant Allocation Plans**

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INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to CGS Section 4-28b, the Governor has submitted for consideration proposed block grant allocation plans for the Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (CMHSBG), the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), the Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (MCHBG), the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG), the Social Services Block Grant (SSBG), and the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SAPTBG). The allocation plans are effective beginning October 1, 2017.

HIGHLIGHTS

The proposed allocation plans are based on assumed federal grant awards and estimated carry forward funding as Congress has yet to finalize the FFY 18 appropriations for these programs. A comparison of funding levels to the FFY 17 amounts is presented in the following table:

FFY 18 Percentage Change from FFY 17

Block Grant	Assumed Block Grant Award	Estimated Funds Carried Forward	Total Available Funds
CMHSBG	-26.5%	-39.3%	-28.6%
CSBG	-	8.3%	1.7%
MCHBG	-2.1%	-	-2.1%
PHHSBG	-	-	-
SAPTBG	-0.2%	-79.1%	-7.9%
SSBG	-	-54.1%	-12.3%

¹Total Available Funds refers to the total amount of the block grant award plus funds carried forward from FFY 17.

FEDERAL BUDGET ACTION

Final Congressional action has yet to be taken on FFY 18 appropriations for these grants. In the event that funding is more or less than the amount assumed in the proposal, designated agencies would utilize various processes to prioritize funding.

MAJOR RECOMMENDED CHANGES

Major recommended changes are described for each block grant. A table summarizing the various block grant objectives and allocation processes can be found on page 15.

Community Mental Health Services Block Grant

The CMHSBG is administered by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) and the Department of Children and Families (DCF).

ADULT SERVICES:

Funding is reduced by 26.5% based on the President's proposed reductions. While many programs are also supported by state General Funds, reductions could result in reduced capacity and/or fewer hours of service.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES:

Home-Based Respite Care – Funding for nine agencies is proportionally decreased by 11.1% (less than \$6,000 each).¹

FAVOR Family Peer Support Specialist Development and Direct Family Advocacy – Funding is reduced by 3.3%. DCF anticipates working with FAVOR to minimize the impact on direct services to children and families.

CT Community KidCare – Funding is reduced to reflect the completion of a one-time mentoring project.

Extended Day Treatment (EDT) - Funding is eliminated. FFY 17 funding supported training and consultation services for EDT providers.

SMI/SED Early Psychosis 10% Set Aside – Funding is adjusted to achieve the 10% set aside level for the treatment of early psychosis (targeting 16-26 year olds), as required by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

Mental Health/Juvenile Justice – Funding is decreased by 44.2%. The allocation will support tutoring and educational support services to youth in the Hartford, New Britain and Waterbury areas.

Outpatient Care: System Treatment and Improvement – Funding is decreased by \$96,000 to reflect the completion of ACCESS Mental Health outreach activities. The additional reduction of \$38,000 to Modular Approach to Therapy for Children with Anxiety, Depression, Trauma or Conduct services (MATCH-ADTC) is anticipated to reduce the number of consultation hours provider agencies will receive from the MATCH-ADTC model developer. This is not expected to have a direct impact on children and families.

¹ Agencies impacted by the reduction are: Bridges-A Community Support System, Child and Family Guidance Center, Child Guidance Center of Southern Connecticut, Clifford W. Beers Guidance Clinic, Community Health Resources, Rushford Center, United Community and Family Services, Wellmore, and Wheeler Clinic.

Best Practices Promotion & Program Evaluation - Funding is reduced by 24.8% for tasks related to PA 13-178 (*AAC the Mental, Emotional and Behavioral Health of Youths*), which include fiscal mapping, data integration, network analysis and standards implementation activities.

Behavioral Health Outcomes - Funding is decreased by 45.5%, which is anticipated to reduce the number of data enhancements and automated reports. The allocation will support the continued development of automated Results Based Accountability (RBA) report cards through DCF's Provider Information Exchange (PIE) data system, assist with meeting federally required outcome measures, and continue support for the collection of expanded outcome measures via PIE.

Workforce Development: Higher Education In-Home Curriculum Project - Funding is decreased by 31.4%, which is anticipated to reduce the number of graduate students recruited and trained to serve in the Intensive In-Home service array.

Other Connecticut Community KidCare - Funding is reduced by 25.0%, which is anticipated to result in two less trainings offered to providers.

Emergency Crisis - Funding is eliminated. FFY 17 funding supported two projects that have ended.

**COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BLOCK GRANT
FFY 18 ALLOCATION PLAN**

Program Category	FFY 16 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2017 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2018 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 18 v. 17	% Change 18 v. 17
PROGRAM: ADULT SERVICES					
Emergency Crisis	1,350,921	1,861,963	1,368,178	(493,785)	-26.5%
Outpatient Services	816,773	649,468	477,232	(172,236)	-26.5%
Residential Services/Supported Housing	287,588	287,591	211,323	(76,268)	-26.5%
Social Rehabilitation	146,196	146,196	107,426	(38,770)	-26.5%
Case Management	155,475	128,238	94,230	(34,008)	-26.5%
Family Education Training	85,233	67,576	49,655	(17,921)	-26.5%
Consumer Peer Support in Psychiatric Outpatient General Hospital	137,752	129,811	95,386	(34,425)	-26.5%
Parenting Support/Parental Rights	59,441	52,324	38,448	(13,876)	-26.5%
Consumer Peer Support - Vocational Rehab.	78,486	52,324	38,448	(13,876)	-26.5%
Regional Capacity Building Organizations (formerly Regional Mental Health Boards)	61,150	48,920	35,947	(12,973)	-26.5%
Outreach & Engagement of Young Adults	35,463	-	-	-	-
SMI/SED Early Psychosis 10% Set Aside	451,530	494,359	363,257	(131,102)	-26.5%
SUBTOTAL ADULT EXPENDITURES	3,666,008	3,918,770	2,879,530	(1,039,240)	-26.5%
PROGRAM: CHILDREN'S SERVICES					
Home-Based Respite Care	309,893	450,000	400,000	(50,000)	-11.1%
FAVOR Family Peer Support Specialist Development and Direct Family Advocacy	544,975	537,300	519,450	(17,850)	-3.3%
Youth Suicide Prevention/Mental Health Promotion	69,406	96,400	96,400	-	-
CT Community KidCare (System of Care) Workforce Development/Training	48,662	94,928	65,000	(29,928)	-31.5%
Extended Day Treatment: Model Development & Training	24,455	35,000	-	(35,000)	-100.0%
SMI/SED Early Psychosis 10% Set Aside	72,186	65,465	225,890	160,425	245.1%
Mental Health/Juvenile Justice Diversion	16,814	134,334	75,000	(59,334)	-44.2%
Outpatient Care: System Treatment & Improvement	86,675	254,000	120,000	(134,000)	-52.8%
Best Practices Promotion & Program Evaluation	67,043	133,000	100,000	(33,000)	-24.8%
Behavioral Health Outcomes: Performance Improvement and Dashboard Development	103,000	110,000	60,000	(50,000)	-45.5%
Workforce Development: Higher Education In-Home Curriculum Project	54,159	63,750	43,750	(20,000)	-31.4%
Other Connecticut Community KidCare	12,587	20,000	15,000	(5,000)	-25.0%
Emergency Crisis: Reducing Trauma Exposure	66,250	114,167	-	(114,167)	-100.0%
SUBTOTAL CHILDREN EXPENDITURES	1,476,105	2,108,344	1,720,490	(387,854)	-18.4%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	5,142,113	6,027,114	4,600,020	(1,427,094)	-23.7%
SOURCE OF FUNDS					
Block Grant	5,237,154	5,598,243	4,113,615	(1,484,628)	-26.5%
Balance Forward From Previous Year	995,915	1,090,956	662,085	(428,871)	-39.3%
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	6,233,069	6,689,199	4,775,700	(1,913,499)	-28.6%

Community Services Block Grant

The CSBG is administered by the Department of Social Services (DSS).

Grants to Eligible Entities – The formula allocation results in an overall 4% increase to Community Action Agencies (CAA’s). In addition, designating various catchment areas (Bristol, Norwalk, Westport, Wilton, Weston, and New Canaan) under new CAA’s further increases funding to the remaining agencies. Notable differences are described below:

Action for Bridgeport Community Development, Inc. (ABCD) – ABCD became the designated CAA for Westport and Norwalk in FFY 17, resulting in a one-time allocation increase. FFY 18 funding reflects the appropriate base award amount and will not result in decreased services.

Community Action Agency of Western Connecticut Inc. (CAAWC) – CAAWC became the designated CAA for the Wilton, Weston, and New Canaan catchment areas in FY 17, resulting in a one-time allocation increase.

Human Resources Agency of New Britain (HRA) – Funding is increased to reflect HRA becoming the designated CAA for the Greater Bristol area due to the merging of Bristol Community Organization, Inc. (BCO) with HRA, effective December 31, 2017. HRA’s FFY 17 funding reflects BCO’s expenditures for January 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017, totaling \$141,312.

Bristol Community Organization (BCO) – BCO’s FFY 17 allocation reflects expenditures for the period October 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017, after which point it merged with HRA.

State Agency Administration – Overall funding is decreased by 21.4% due to one-time FFY 17 expenditures associated with (1) contracted accounting and auditing services for the review of certain CAA’s who were out of compliance, and (2) IT consulting services related to Organizational Standards and Triennial Review activity.²

Carry Forward – The allocation plan assumes expenditures are approximately \$2.4 million less than FFY 18 available funding. Funding is proposed to be utilized in FFY 19 if future funding levels are decreased, one-time funding is needed to support compliance with revised National Performance Indicators (NPI’s), or training and technical assistance is needed to meet federal standards.

² DSS hired an external forensic auditor to review New Opportunities Inc. financials after inquiries about the misuse of federal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) funds.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT
FFY 18 ALLOCATION PLAN**

Program Category	FFY 16 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2017 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2018 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 18 v. 17	% Change 18 v. 17
Grants to Eligible Entities					
Action for Bridgeport Community Development, Inc. (ABCD)	988,922	1,181,763	1,118,183	(63,580)	-5.4%
ACCESS Agency, Inc.	498,985	439,443	465,508	26,065	5.9%
Bristol Community Organization, Inc.	200,828	47,104	-	(47,104)	-100.0%
Community Action Agency of New Haven, Inc. (CAANH)	1,208,708	1,053,701	1,116,200	62,499	5.9%
Community Action Agency of Western Connecticut, Inc. (CAAWC)	335,546	667,877	697,895	30,018	4.5%
Community Renewal Team of Greater Hartford, Inc. (CRT)	2,173,017	1,732,309	1,835,059	102,750	5.9%
Connecticut Assoc for Comm Action (CAFCA)	125,123	221,233	234,354	13,121	5.9%
Human Resource Agency of New Britain, Inc. (HRANB)	379,428	450,799	527,436	76,637	17.0%
New Opportunities, Inc. (NO)	1,182,372	974,953	1,032,781	57,828	5.9%
TEAM, Inc.	238,371	213,759	226,438	12,679	5.9%
Thames Valley Council for Community Action, Inc. (TVCCA)	468,242	434,453	460,222	25,769	5.9%
Formula Allocations - Total	7,799,542	7,417,394	7,714,076	296,682	4.0%
Discretionary Programs	383,851	424,752	428,560	3,808	0.9%
State Agency Administration	408,305	545,026	428,560	(116,466)	-21.4%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	8,591,698	8,387,172	8,571,196	184,024	2.2%
SOURCE OF FUNDS					
Block Grant	8,571,196	8,571,196	8,571,196	-	-
Balance Forward From Previous Year	2,239,275	2,218,773	2,402,797	184,024	8.3%
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	10,810,471	10,789,969	10,973,993	184,024	1.7%

Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant

The MCHSBG is administered by the Department of Public Health (DPH).

Other - Funding is reduced under both the Maternal and Child Health and Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs categories. Funding will support required association fees, staff travel and training, and special projects initiated through MCH technical assistance requests. FFY 17 funding supported a statewide needs assessment, performance measures report, and the purchase of two platforms required to perform newborn metabolic screening.

Administration - Funding is decreased under both the Maternal and Child Health and Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs categories to reflect the completion of activities performed in FFY 17. Last year's funding was increased for various staff training and compliance activities.

**MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH SERVICES BLOCK GRANT
FFY 18 ALLOCATION PLAN**

Program Category	FFY 16 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2017 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2018 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 18 v. 17	% Change 18 v. 17
Maternal & Child Health					
Perinatal Case Management	350,287	350,574	350,574	-	-
Family Planning	20,083	20,083	20,083	-	-
Information and Referral	183,867	183,867	183,867	-	-
School Based Health Services	273,691	273,691	273,691	-	-
Genetics	27,900	27,900	27,900	-	-
Other*	109,038	85,588	67,945	(17,643)	-20.6%
Program Subtotal	964,866	941,703	924,060	(17,643)	-1.9%
Administrative Expenditures	1,769,229	1,851,561	1,817,959	(33,602)	-1.8%
MCH Total	2,734,095	2,793,264	2,742,019	(51,245)	-1.8%
Children & Youth with Special Health Care Needs					
Medical Home Community Based Care Coordination Services	796,963	796,963	796,963	-	-
Family Planning	1,057	1,057	1,057	-	-
Genetics	3,100	3,100	3,100	-	-
Information and Referral	9,677	9,677	9,677	-	-
School Based Health Services	14,405	14,405	14,405	-	-
Other	18,750	17,523	13,178	(4,345)	-24.8%
Program Subtotal	843,952	842,725	838,380	(4,345)	-0.5%
Administrative Expenditures	1,041,660	1,081,818	1,039,308	(42,510)	-3.9%
CYSHCN Total	1,885,612	1,924,543	1,877,688	(46,855)	-2.4%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,619,707	4,717,807	4,619,707	(98,100)	-2.1%
SOURCE OF FUNDS					
Block Grant	4,619,707	4,717,807	4,619,707	(98,100)	-2.1%
Balance Forward From Previous Year	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	4,619,707	4,717,807	4,619,707	(98,100)	-2.1%

*While the allocation plan indicates that FFY 17 estimated expenditures in the Other category are \$81,088, it is anticipated that the allocation will actually be \$85,588 as reflected in the table above.

Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant

The PHHSBG is administered by the Department of Public Health (DPH).

There are no proposed changes from FFY 17 expenditure levels. The state’s maintenance of effort level is estimated at \$2,256,330, which includes state funded personal services and other expenses costs related to PHHSBG health objectives.

**PREVENTIVE HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES BLOCK GRANT
FFY 18 ALLOCATION PLAN**

Program Category	FFY 16 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2017 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2018 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 18 v. 17	% Change 18 v. 17
Administrative Support	128,438	128,438	128,438	-	-
Cancer Prevention	49,000	49,000	49,000	-	-
Cardiovascular Disease Prevention	24,000	24,000	24,000	-	-
Emergency Medical Services	20,000	20,000	20,000	-	-
Local Health Departments	989,097	989,097	989,097	-	-
Rape Crisis Services	79,914	79,914	79,914	-	-
Surveillance and Evaluation	274,517	335,297	335,297	-	-
Youth Violence/Suicide Prevention	105,354	110,000	110,000	-	-
Nutrition and Weight Status	25,000	25,000	25,000	-	-
Public Health Infrastructure	464,572	502,212	502,212	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,159,892	2,262,958	2,262,958	-	-
SOURCE OF FUNDS					
Block Grant	2,250,001	2,262,958	2,262,958	-	-
Supplemental Funding	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	2,250,001	2,262,958	2,262,958	-	-

Social Services Block Grant

The SSBG is administered by DSS in conjunction with the Departments of Housing (DOH), Labor (DOL), Rehabilitation Services (DORS), Aging (SDA), and DMHAS.

The plan assumes a shift from the General Fund of \$1 million for Human Services Infrastructure (HSI) programs to the SSBG. Most FFY 18 allocation categories reflect a five percent reduction (with the exception of programs administered by the DOH), which helps to accommodate the additional HSI funding.

The plan also reflects shifting certain programs to the General Fund that were previously supported with funding transferred to the SSBG from the TANF block grant. It is anticipated that the transfer of TANF funds to SSBG will no longer occur.

Other notable changes include the following:

Counseling Services - DSS funding is increased by 11.3% to reflect full-year costs as well as costs incurred in FFY 17 that will be paid in FFY 18. FFY 16 and FFY 17 allocations supported start-up and initial program operations, outreach activities, and system enhancements.

Employment Services - Funding is eliminated. DOL is no longer performing these services as federal funding stopped on August 31, 2017.

Independent & Transitional Living Services - DOH funding is decreased by 23.8% due to the use of one-time carry forward funding in FFY 17. The \$45,000 allocation to DSS will support short-term emergency housing for certain at risk Temporary Family Assistance (TFA) recipient households with minor children.

Information & Referral - Funding is reduced by 73.5% to reflect General Fund support for these services through the United Way 211.

Legal Services - Funding is decreased to reflect the change in service delivery due to the re-designation of the Office of Protection and Advocacy (OPA) on July 1, 2017.

Protective Services for Adults - DSS funding is increased by 301.7% to reflect a shift in the source of funding from the General Fund to the SSBG.

Human Services Infrastructure - Funding is allocated to reflect a shift in the source of funding for programs under Human Services Infrastructure (HSI) from the General Fund to the SSBG.

Administrative - Funding is not allocated for administration. The FFY 17 allocation plan proposed funding to support one full-time position, but the position was not filled.

**SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT
FFY 18 ALLOCATION PLAN**

Program Category	FFY 16 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2017 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2018 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 18 v. 17	% Change 18 v. 17
Case Management Services	2,582,825	2,425,447	2,049,239	(376,208)	-15.5%
DSS	2,343,821	2,186,443	1,822,185	(364,258)	-16.7%
DMHAS	239,004	239,004	227,054	(11,950)	-5.0%
Counseling Services	258,655	489,236	530,349	41,113	8.4%
DSS	171,233	401,814	447,298	45,484	11.3%
DMHAS	87,422	87,422	83,051	(4,371)	-5.0%
Employment Services	80,000	100,000	-	(100,000)	-100.0%
DOL	80,000	100,000	-	(100,000)	-100.0%
Family Planning Services	942,779	970,702	889,152	(81,550)	-8.4%
DSS	942,779	970,702	889,152	(81,550)	-8.4%
Home-Based Service	5,175,984	3,991,021	3,747,221	(243,800)	-6.1%
DSS	5,175,984	3,991,021	3,747,221	(243,800)	-6.1%
Home Delivered Meals	624,942	469,965	427,500	(42,465)	-9.0%
SDA	624,942	469,965	427,500	(42,465)	-9.0%
Independent & Transitional Living Services	6,690,688	8,694,076	6,703,217	(1,990,859)	-22.9%
DSS	-	-	45,000	45,000	100.0%
DOH	6,524,928	8,528,316	6,500,745	(2,027,571)	-23.8%
DMHAS	165,760	165,760	157,472	(8,288)	-5.0%
Information & Referral Services	464,234	525,811	139,333	(386,478)	-73.5%
DSS	464,234	525,811	139,333	(386,478)	-73.5%
Legal Services	725,074	780,411	683,644	(96,767)	-12.4%
DSS	724,529	746,693	683,644	(63,049)	-8.4%
OPA	545	33,718	-	(33,718)	-100.0%

SSBG FFY 18 ALLOCATION PLAN - CONTINUED

Program Category	FFY 16 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2017 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2018 Proposed Expenditures \$	Change 18 v. 17 \$	Change 18 v. 17 %
Protective Services for Adults	358,960	458,615	970,913	512,298	111.7%
DSS	-	193,080	775,541	582,461	301.7%
DORS	237,053	205,655	195,372	(10,283)	-5.0%
OPA	121,907	59,880	-	(59,880)	-100.0%
Special Services for Persons with Developmental or Physical Disabilities	-	63,264	60,101	(3,163)	-5.0%
DORS	-	63,264	60,101	(3,163)	-5.0%
Substance Abuse Services	1,402,490	1,402,490	1,332,365	(70,125)	-5.0%
DMHAS	1,402,490	1,402,490	1,332,365	(70,125)	-5.0%
Human Services Infrastructure	-	-	1,031,344	1,031,344	100.0%
DSS	-	-	1,031,344	1,031,344	100.0%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	19,306,631	20,371,038	18,564,378	(1,806,660)	-8.9%
SOURCE OF FUNDS					
Block Grant	17,772,025	17,583,106	17,583,106	-	-
Balance Forward From Previous Year	6,687,543	5,152,937	2,365,005	(2,787,932)	-54.1%
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	24,459,568	22,736,043	19,948,111	(2,787,932)	-12.3%

Substance Abuse Treatment and Prevention Block Grant

The SATPBG is administered by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS).

Community Treatment Services - Funding is decreased by 5.4%, which primarily reflects a one-time increase in the FFY 17 allocation. Outpatient funding was increased in FFY 17 to expand treatment options through evidence-based screening and clinical assessment in response to the opioid crisis.

Residential Treatment - Overall funding is reduced by 8.4%, which primarily reflects a one-time increase in the FFY 17 allocation. The decrease is partially offset by FFY 18 increases for detox and shelter levels of care to supplement shifts in other funding sources.

Prevention and Health Promotion - The 6.4% reduction is associated with the timing of contract payments and will not impact service delivery.

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT BLOCK GRANT
FFY 18 ALLOCATION PLAN**

Program Category	FFY 16 Actual Expenditures \$	FFY 2017 Estimated Expenditures \$	FFY 2018 Proposed Expenditures \$	\$ Change 18 v. 17	% Change 18 v. 17
Community Treatment Services	4,179,802	3,435,825	3,249,299	(186,526)	-5.4%
Outpatient	3,267,687	3,189,348	3,001,578	(187,770)	-5.9%
Methadone Maintenance	912,115	246,477	247,721	1,244	0.5%
Residential Treatment	6,449,454	8,008,346	7,332,744	(675,602)	-8.4%
Residential Detox	1,462,561	1,433,338	1,554,017	120,679	8.4%
Residential Intensive	391,080	407,031	333,226	(73,805)	-18.1%
Residential Long Term Treatment	4,174,395	5,088,559	4,206,430	(882,129)	-17.3%
Shelter	421,418	1,079,418	1,239,071	159,653	14.8%
Recovery Support Services	2,177,045	3,281,890	3,279,526	(2,364)	-0.1%
Case Management and Outreach	2,110,715	2,696,681	2,694,317	(2,364)	-0.1%
Vocational Rehab	21,020	539,899	539,899	-	-
Ancillary Services	45,310	45,310	45,310	-	-
Prevention & Health Promotion	5,277,185	5,052,414	4,729,011	(323,403)	-6.4%
Primary Prevention	5,277,185	5,052,414	4,729,011	(323,403)	-6.4%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	18,083,486	19,778,475	18,590,580	(1,187,895)	-6.0%
SOURCE OF FUNDS					
Block Grant	18,212,225	18,212,438	18,177,497	(34,941)	-0.2%
Balance Forward From Previous Year	1,850,381	1,979,120	413,083	(1,566,037)	-79.1%
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE¹	20,062,606	20,191,558	18,590,580	(1,600,978)	-7.9%

FEDERAL BLOCK GRANTS DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

Block Grant	Lead Agency	Program Objective	Federal Allotment Process	State Allotment Process
Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (CMHSBG)	DMHAS /DCF	Provide grants to support community mental health services for adults with a serious mental illness and for children with a serious emotional disturbance.	Based on the Population at Risk (relative risk of mental health problems in the state), Cost of Services Index (cost of providing related treatment services in the state), and the Fiscal Capacity Index (ability of state to pay for related services).	Adult Services - Based on a statewide advisory structure that includes the Regional Mental Health Boards, Catchment Area Councils, the Behavioral Health Planning Council, Regional Action Councils, among others. Children's Services - Based on input from the Children's Behavioral Health Advisory Committee, which serves as the Children's Mental Health Planning Council.
Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)	DSS	Provide grants to help ameliorate the causes of poverty, coordinate governmental and non-governmental programs, and provide emergency services to low-income individuals and families.	Based on the same share of funds that the state's local agencies received in 1981 under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964.	Based on federal requirements and a state agreement with Community Action Agencies (CAAs) and Limited Purpose Agencies (LPAs). Each CAA and LPA will receive a base amount equal to one-half of their FFY 1996 allocation, with remaining funds allocated based on the number of individuals in each service area at or below 125% federal poverty level (FPL).
Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (MCHBG)	DPH	Provide grants to support programs related to maternal and child health. Funds address reducing adverse perinatal outcomes, providing and ensuring access to care, reducing health disparities and health inequities, and other areas identified in the statewide needs assessment.	Based on the proportion of funds allocated to states that existed when the original eight categorical grants were consolidated in 1981. Amounts appropriated above the level of fiscal year 1983 funding are allocated to states in proportion to the number of low-income children in the state.	Based on various performance measures, with focus provided by the MCH Statewide Needs Assessment conducted every five years. The application must reflect that three dollars of state matching funds are provided for each four dollars in federal funding. The FFY 18 state match is estimated at \$3,464,780 and the maintenance of effort requirement is \$6,777,191.
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG)	DPH	Provide grants to support the reduction of preventable morbidity and mortality, and the improvement of the health status of targeted populations.	Based on the amount of 1981 funds provided to the state for the original categorical health grants that were combined into the block grant. Additionally, a sex offense set-aside based on a state's population is required.	Based on the recommendations of the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant Advisory Committee. Supported programs include cancer, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, tobacco cessation, policy and environmental change strategies, emergency medical services, data surveillance, and other related services. The state's FFY 18 maintenance of effort requirement is estimated at \$2,256,330.
Social Services Block Grant (SSBG)	DSS	Provide grants to encourage self-sufficiency and prevent and reduce dependency on public assistance for individuals with incomes at and below 150% FPL.	Based on state population data (Department of Commerce census data).	Based on the state's focus within the 29 federal service categories. FFY 18 funding will support 12 categories, including case management, home based services, independent & transitional living, and substance abuse services.
Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SAPTBG)	DMHAS	Provide grants for alcohol and other drug abuse services, which include community treatment, residential and recovery support services, and prevention and health promotion services.	Based on the Population at Risk (relative risk of substance abuse problems in the state), Cost of Services Index (cost of providing related prevention and treatment services in the state), and the Fiscal Capacity Index (ability of state to pay for related services).	Based on surveys, needs assessments, analysis of DMHAS service data, and input from Connecticut-based advisory boards.